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For: GENE ASSAY METHOD FOR PREDICTING GLAUCOMA ONSET RISK

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2006. The examiner set a three month period for the response. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for a one-month extension of time, making the due date for response May 15, 2006 (May 13 and 14, being a Saturday and Sunday, respectively).

The Patent Office is authorized to charge any fees necessary for the continued pendency of the above-identified application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages.

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